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Access Control Point Equipment Program

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ACPEP

As a result of a Headquarters Department of the Army mandate, Army installations must transition to “closed” posts. Installations’ access control points (ACP) must be upgraded with facilities and equipment necessary to achieve appropriate levels of security enhancement and risk reductions.

In October 2002, the Product Manager for Force Protection Systems (PM-FPS) selected the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to plan, manage and execute the ACP equipment program by survey, design, purchase and installation of ACP equipment at all Army installations. Phases 1 through 3 (\$163 million) are almost completed and Phase 4 (\$150 million) is expected to begin in FY 2006.

Funding was provided by PM-FPS for equipment purchase and installation and for infrastructure upgrades necessary to support fielding of ACP equipment.

A related program, called ACP Buyout, will identify funding requirements beyond the scope of this program for consideration by Installation Management Agency programs.

The ACPEP uses centralized planning and management with decentralized execution, in accordance with DA and PM-FPS funding and priorities. Huntsville Center is the program manager and is responsible for planning and coordinating execution. The Corps’s Protective Design (PDC) and Electronic Security (ESC) Centers provide technical expertise and mentoring.



Ground Retractable Auto Barrier (GRAB) shown in deployed position.

Local districts are responsible for equipment purchase and installation. The ACPEP uses existing nationwide/regional contract mechanisms to procure and install a DA-approved equipment complement that includes portable active barriers, portable lighting systems, under-vehicle inspection gear, explosive detection equipment, X-ray machines, closed circuit television, fixed active barriers, duress systems, fixed guard booths, traffic arms, portable guard booths, portable Installation Design Standards (IDS) systems and portable badge makers.

The ACPEP complies with the Army’s IDS for ACPs published in December 2004. The standards assure Army-wide consistency for physical security equipment and facilities.

Many major commands and



Ground Retractable Auto Barrier is shown in non-deployed position with net barrier retracted in rubber mat in the roadway.

individual installations have recently completed or have on-going ACP efforts. Those results are being integrated into the ACP Equipment Program effort whenever practical.

An online database (Engineering Knowledge Online – <https://eko.usace.army.mil>) is maintained keeping all stakeholders informed about project status and milestones.